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## SUPPORT FOR PRINCIPLES OF ATLANTIC CHARTER DECLARED BY INTER-ALLIED CONFERENCE

THE INTER-ALLIED CONFERENCE YESTERDAY UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED THE RESOLUTION DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE PRINCIPLES EMBODIED IN THE "ATLANTIC CHARTER" AGREED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AND MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, says Reuter from London.

The Czechoslovak delegate, M. Masaryk, earlier presented a joint declaration on behalf of Czechoslovakia and Poland affirming that both Governments believe there must be safeguards against a third German war.

THE DECLARATION ADDED THERE MUST BE COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF THE MEANS WHICH GERMANY MIGHT USE IN FURTHER AGGRESSION.

"The Russian resistance is a factor for peace in the Pacific," declared SIR RONALD CROSS, British High Commissioner, at a luncheon given in Melbourne by the Premier of Victoria, says Reuter.

"All unstintingly admire and praise the heroism and self-sacrifice of the Russian forces," he said. "Japan is watching Russia whose battle is our battle," declared Sir Ronald. "Our relations with Japan are regrettable but are purely Japan's fault."

## Eden On New Phase Of Collaboration Maisky On Destiny Of Humanity Itself

Opening the Inter-Allied Conference, MR. ANTHONY EDEN, Foreign Secretary, said that at the conclusion of the meeting on June 12, he expressed the hope that it might be possible for them to inaugurate as an outcome of the meeting a new phase of collaboration which might form part of the framework by which victory will be won and by which peace may be attained after victory, says Reuter.

As Allied representatives world-wide realise, a certain amount of preliminary work had to be accomplished preparatory to this further meeting.



MR. EDEN

"Shortly after the last meeting, Hitler, following his now invariable procedure, launched an attack without warning on the Soviet Union whose Government and citizens have since been defending themselves with courage, tenacity and skill which won the admiration of the world."

He took the opportunity of welcoming to the Inter-Allied meeting a representative of the Soviet Union.

Also welcomed for the first time at the meeting was the Greek Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance who had just arrived with the King of Greece.

### GALLANT NATION

"We are proud to have with us in this country representatives of the gallant Greek nation whose heroic resistance has been a source of inspiration to the Allied cause," Mr. Eden said.

Soviet Russia attending the Council for the first time was represented by M. Maisky and M. Bogomolov.

Delegates attended from Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Free France, Greece, Yugoslavia, Soviet Russia, Poland, Norway, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

Mr. Eden had on his right hand Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister without Portfolio, Viscount Cranborne, Secretary of the Dominions, Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary for India, and Lord Moyne, Secretary for the Colonies.

The Greek delegates were M. Tsouderos, Prime Minister, and M. Varvaresos.

## JAPAN BUDGET SLASHED

TOKYO, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Cabinet has formally adopted a plan designed to slash the 1941 fiscal budget by 1,323,300,000 yen.

The measure is expected to affect ordinary and special appropriations as well as Government purchases abroad.

M. IVAN MAISKY, Soviet Ambassador to Great Britain, addressing the opening session of the Inter-Allied Council, said the war has been imposed on freedom-loving nations by Herr Hitler and Fascism.

Many countries have been violated and the destiny of humanity itself, for many decades to come, was now being decided, says British Wireless.

It could not be tolerated that a gang of Hitlerite marauders proclaiming themselves the master race should raze villages and towns and exterminate hundreds of thousands of peaceful people.



M. MAISKY

"The first task of all nations and all States," he continued, "who are compelled to wage war against Hitler's Germany and her allies is to bring about the speediest and most decisive defeat of the aggressor. In the full accomplishment of that task, they must assemble and devote all the strength of their resources to the achievement of that goal."

The U.S.S.R. was convinced that the task would be successfully accomplished and that as the result of a complete final victory, there would be a birth of an international co-operation and friendship and realisation of the ideals of freedom-loving peoples.

### SELF-DETERMINATION

"That is what the people of my country are striving for—the self-determination of nations," he added.

Recognition of the sovereignty of nations was one of the keystones on which the Soviet Union was

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## CLIPPER CALLS IN S'PORE

SINGAPORE, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—It is anticipated that after Oct. 1, Trans-Pacific Clippers will be calling at Singapore weekly instead of fortnightly.

The local Pan-American office announced that an application has been made to the United States Civil Aeronautics Board for permission to operate increased air schedules between Singapore and Manila, and Manila and Hongkong.

## R.A.F. IN ACTION IN RUSSIA

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry states that British fighters of the R.A.F. wing sent to the Soviet Union, have been in action against the Luftwaffe, in Russia.

A number of patrols in bad weather encountered enemy squadrons and in one air battle one R.A.F. squadron shot down three Messerschmitt-109's for the loss of one British fighter.

In another battle, four more Messerschmitts were brought down without any loss to the British.

The R.A.F. wing is commanded by Wing-Commander H. M. V. Ramsbotham-Isherwood.

## R.A.F. PERSONNEL FOR BURMA

RANGOON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The defences of Burma were further strengthened today by the arrival of a shipload of R.A.F. personnel who are at present in transit to different stations.

## VIGOROUS DEMAND FOR REPEAL OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Vigorously demanding a repeal of the Neutrality Act following the sinking of the United States steamer Pink Star, the NEW YORK TIMES says: "The Nazi Government maintains that if the Pink Star was sent to the bottom by a German submarine, it was done in accordance with the laws of war."

"The United States could not possibly grant this point without surrendering to Germany the effective control of the high seas. We claim we have every right to protect our commerce on the seaways in which no German effective blockade exists in the accepted meaning in international law."

"To make that policy effective, we ought to arm our merchant ships. It will require a repeal of what remains of the Neutrality Act. That step is long overdue. The American people are not now, and never have been, neutral in this war."

The State Department announced that 23 survivors from the Pink Star have arrived at Reykjavik.

Their condition was stated to be good.

## BRITISH MINISTER PRISONER OVER YEAR

LONDON, Sept. 24 (BWS).—The British and German Governments have agreed, according to official quarters, to exchange equal numbers of British and German diplomatic and consular officials and their families who had been held prisoner over a year.

It is hoped the exchange will be completed in the course of the next few days.

Each party consists of 12 persons.

Among the British officials is SIR LANCELOT OLIPHANT, formerly Ambassador in Brussels.

Among the Germans is Herr Von Gerlach, formerly Consul-General at Iceland.

### AT FRONTIER

The British party will be delivered to the Spanish Government at the Franco-Spanish frontier and the German party to the Portuguese Government in Lisbon.

The Portuguese and Spanish Governments, acting as trustees, will each release its party when it has been informed by the other of the safe delivery of the opposite party.

The exchange is only the first instalment and negotiations are proceeding for the release of the remainder of the officials of both sides.

## BRITAIN WARNS FINLAND

LONDON, Sept. 24 (BWS).—Reuter received in London stating that the Finnish Government has been told that if efforts are continued to invade Russian territory, it will be necessary for Finland to be treated as an open enemy, both now and after peace, are regarded in official quarters as substantially accurate.

If Finland ceased fighting and withdrew to the frontiers held before the Russian-Finnish campaign, it is felt that it would be possible to study whether relations between Britain and Finland could not be improved.

### M. HENRI COSME

SHANGHAI, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador, left Tientsin today for Shanghai where he will spend about a week and then returning to Peking.

## SINGAPORE BASE FOR U.S. SHIPS

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The substantial aid given to Britain by refitting British warships in the United States has resulted in Britain promising to give reciprocal facilities to American warships at Singapore, says the NEW YORK TIMES in a leading article today.

## AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT IS ACCUSED OF BRIBERY

In the AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT yesterday, MR. J. CURTIN, the Labour Leader, moved an amendment which amounts to a vote of censure on the Government.

His amendment expressed disapproval of what he alleged was the use of Government funds amounting to over £3,000 for bribing Union officials, says Reuter.

The outcome of the debate will depend on the INDEPENDENT PARTY but there is no indication of which way their vote will be given.

After Mr. Curtin had moved his amendment, MR. W. M. HUGHES, Attorney-General, flatly denied the allegation that the Government had used the funds for bribing Union officials.

The total expenditure for 20 months for such funds was £4,800 and this had been used to counter subversive activities and propaganda.

THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT FACES A CRITICAL VOTE ON THIS ISSUE.

## Italian Mine-layer Torpedoed

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—An Admiralty communique states that an Italian mine-layer, of the Crotona Class, has been torpedoed by a British submarine in Central Mediterranean.

The text of the communique follows:

"An Italian mine-layer of the Crotona Class has been torpedoed by one of our submarines in Central Mediterranean. The mine-layer was probably destroyed."

### SCHOONER ENGAGED

"An enemy's supply ship of about 5,000 tons has also been successfully attacked and was hit by a torpedo. A large schooner has been engaged by gunfire by our submarines. The schooner was certainly hit and damaged and probably sunk. This attack was carried out under fire from the enemy shore defence.

No casualties or damage was suffered."

## STILL MISSING

PEIPING, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Mrs. Denzil H. Clarke, Japanese-born wife of the Press Attache to the British Embassy, is still missing.

Information now available tends to confirm yesterday's report that she was seized by kidnappers outside a friend's house on Saturday and carried off in a car.

The Japanese authorities claim that they are doing their utmost to unravel the mystery.

The case is arousing much indignation and criticism among the foreign community here.

## NO EXPORT

SHANGHAI, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Directorate of local customs has issued a notice that no export from Shanghai will be allowed to be shipped to any port or city in an unoccupied area, beginning tomorrow.

## AUSTRALIA AND INVASION

MELBOURNE, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—For the first time in history Australia faces the possibility of an attempted invasion, declared Lieutenant-Colonel Whitfield, Director of Recruiting, at the recruiting rally here.

He appealed to all those eligible to enlist in order to build up the fighting ranks of the Australian Imperial Force.

## Today's News Summary

THE INTER-ALLIED CONFERENCE, now meeting in London under the chairmanship of the British Foreign Secretary, yesterday unanimously declared its support for the Atlantic Charter drawn up by the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Great Britain. M. Ivan Maisky, the Russian Ambassador to the Court of St. James's, addressed the Council and was loudly cheered at the conclusion of his speech.

THERE IS A STRONG DEMAND BEING made in America for the repeal of the Neutrality Act. Survivors from the Pink Star have been landed at Iceland.

AN ITALIAN MINE-LAYER HAS BEEN torpedoed and sunk in the Central Mediterranean by a British submarine. A large schooner was engaged by gunfire and an enemy supply ship was also hit.

A MILITARY PLOT IN THE ARGENTINE has been crushed, according to reports reaching Montevideo. All is now calm in the country.

A VOTE OF CENSURE ON THE AUSTRALIAN Government has been moved by the Labour Leader in the Commonwealth Parliament. He alleged that Government funds were used for bribing Union officials.

CABLE NEWS ON PAGE SEVEN deals with religious freedom in Russia; war effort of India; British tank production; Leningrad defences; Free French National Committee; Christmas mail for troops.

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The Secretary, Mr. W. V. Taylor, deprecated a suggestion made by Mr. W. P. Clemow that an ambitious programme of advertising be entered to in newspapers in Shanghai, Singapore, and as far afield as Australia, with the view to acquainting British communities abroad of the injustice of the Evacuation scheme here.

Remarking first on the amount of work such a scheme would entail, Mr. Taylor stated also that he was not too confident about much material relative to the husbands' grievance being permitted to go out of the Colony and remarked that he was himself convinced of the fact that his own correspondence was being

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## ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG  
JOCKEY CLUBNOTICE TO MEMBERS  
SEVENTH EXTRA RACE  
MEETING

"GOSFORD HANDICAP"

Saturday, 27th September, 1941

In view of the number of entries received for the above, it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$1 each, will be held on this race but "All through" numbers will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,

S. A. SLEAP,

Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 20th Sept., 1941.

THE HONG KONG  
JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER, 1941 commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Telephone 21920).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,

Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 22nd Sept., 1941.

## TENNIS LEAGUE

Craigengower Beat  
Army T.C.

At Sookunpoo, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Army Tennis Club by five sets to four in Third Division of the Tennis League yesterday.

S/Sgt. Duffield and S/Sgt. Emberson (A. T. C.) beat J. W. Kek and J. W. Leonard, 6-4; lost to W. J. Howard and H. K. Wo, 6-3; beat Hung and Yui, 6-3.

S/Sgt. Megson and Sgt. Murray (A. T. C.) lost to Kek and Leonard, 1-6; lost to Howard and Wo, 1-6; beat Hung and Yui, 6-4.

Sgt. Webb and Cpl. Stonor (A. T. C.) lost to Kek and Leonard, 2-6; beat Howard and Wo, 6-3; beat Hung and Yui, 1-6.

## SOCCER PROSPECTS

Civilian Clubs May Find  
Difficulty In Adhering  
To League ProgrammeLITTLE NEW BLOOD AMONG POLICE:  
A. V. GOSANO PLAYING FOR K'LOON?

BY "PILAT"

In my previous two articles I have discussed the prospects of the Chinese and military soccer teams and it is now left for me to deal with the four remaining civilian eleven which, strangely enough, appear to be the more uncertain of their line ups than the others.

Of these four—POLICE, HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB, KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB and ST. JOSEPH'S—all of them, with perhaps the exception of Police, have volunteers in their ranks, especially in the case of the Saints, who have not yet had a real practice game due to the calls of duty. With the inception now of week-end training exercises these teams may not find it an easy matter to adhere to fixtures.

Police, as the result of causing a few big upsets last season, have earned for themselves the name of "giant killers" and, if confidence in oneself is any criterion, then indications are that they will do some more "giant killing" this season.

There is little or no new blood that has been discovered and the "old brigade" will once again be called upon. Since the retirement of McHardy, who is understood to be in town now, Tsang Wing has kept good charge of the Police goal and he will be seen between the sticks again, with that old stalwart, Blackburn, and Chan Kwong yue, as his front guards.

WELTH OF TALENT  
There is a wealth of talent for the intermediate line which can be chosen from Gough, centre-half if he can be persuaded to turn out, with Parker and North (who is still limping), respectively, on the right and left. Gough, however, has not yet been seen in action. Pope can also be played in the attack, coming in as wing half.

The attack will probably comprise Chan Tak-fai (or Wong Man-kwai or Fan Kwai-choi), Howlett, Coul (or Hogarth), Ferrer and Moss. Their sore need is a good leader. Howlett who played in that position last year had a certain measure of success, but he proved he was a better inside runner. Coul has displayed good form in practice and will probably be assigned to lead the attack while Chan Tak-fai, formerly of South China Juniors, is at the present playing a better game than the other two.

There is one mistake, which was so glaringly apparent last season, that Police must rectify, and that is the inclination to rely on Howlett to shoot, for once this player was booted they were robbed of their scoring power. There should be more enterprise individually among the forwards if they hope to achieve better results.

## H.K.F.C. OPTIMISTIC

Though, with the knowledge that the likelihood of their fielding the same line-up is very lean, Hongkong Football Club, however, are very optimistic with regard to the new season, despite the fact that they will lose J. Odell, their promising custodian.

S. A. Fowler, his successor, has shown that, given time, he will prove an able substitute, while, with the return of Syd Strange,

who will probably be partnered by H. Millington, the defence will be stronger than last season. In addition, they can call on Fallacy, a Tien-tsin Interporter and, Eardley for this department.

Kenneth Forrow, their versatile pivot has been tried as an inside, but I think he can do better service in his old customary position. With A. Odell and E. Strange they should form a solid first line of defence. Jack Skinner must also be considered for a place in the intermediate line.

In the forward line, Club have a problem to solve. Should F. Fowler be played at centre or on the right wing? I think he should be retained as leader, there being no other alternative player. Reiersen had signed up for them but so far had not been in action. If he turns up he will probably form the left flank with Blackburn, otherwise E. Strange may have to play in the attack. The other flank, however, presents some difficulty. Gardner, who has played in representative games,

and Hopkinson may be paired to either.

## KOWLOON CONFIDENT

With the return of their captain and star centre-half, Williamson, to the line-up this season and the recovery of Blake from his injuries, Kowloon Football Club look with confidence to the start of the new season.

It is now learned that Lapsley will be able to play and this should give Kowloon followers some relief. A look at their list of registered players will suffice to convince that Kowloon has no fear as regards players, the registration including such well-known names as A. V. Gosano, B. Gosano, Remedios and Bliss, and former interporters and can be called on to fill any position.

From this list they can field the following line-up: Lapsley; Ulrich or A. V. Gosano (or Lamb and C. Marques), Maxwell, Williamson and White (or Bliss or Pereira), Campos, Jackson, Blake, Pereira and Cruz. B. Gosano will also be available for any position in the attack.

As can be seen from the above, provided, of course, they can field that line-up, Kowloon will still prove a stumbling block to many a team with aspirations for honours if not themselves finishing among the leaders.

## SAINTS IN TROUBLE

St. Joseph's, who finished at the bottom of the League last season, but caused a major upset by defeating Sing Tao in the quarter-final of the Senior Shield, are already in trouble regarding the composition of their team. They have signed up quite a number of players, included in the "bag" being some promising youngsters who have distinguished themselves in miniature football.

The most promising of them is Ho Ying-fan who, the Saints hope, will develop into a useful right wing. The Saints are reported to be trying to secure the services of Guy and Flanders, both of the Royal Artillery, and who played for them in the Shield competition.

If their efforts in this direction are successful their probable line-up will be: Sammy Tsang; J. Hussain and Costa (or Bowen or Souza); Twydale (newcomer) (or T. Castillo), Guy, and Lau Wing-kwong; T. Castillo (or Ho Ying-fan), Santos, D. Leonard, A. Leonard and Flanders.

In recent practice matches, St. Joseph's have been putting in the field many players with new names, probably with the idea of developing them into reserves, as with Volunteer duties they will have to build up capable "under studies" should the necessity arise.

SPORTING  
FIXTURES

## TODAY

MEETING. — Annual of the Hong Kong Cricket League, in the Urban Council Chamber, 5.15 p.m.; Annual of Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

SWIMMING. — Colony Swimming Championships (V.R.C.), 6.07 p.m.; Men's 880 yards Free-Style; V.R.C. Members' 50 yards Breast-Stroke Junior Championship; V.R.C. Boys' 25 yards Free-Style Handicap; Women's 100 yards Breast-Stroke; V.R.C. Members' 100 yards Free-Style Handicap; Men's 220 yards Back-Stroke; V.R.C. Women's 50 yards Free-Style Flat Race (B Class); Women's Fancy Diving; V.R.C. Members' 50 yards Back-Stroke Junior Championship; Women's 220 Yards Free-Style; V.R.C. Boys'

SAPPERS JUST BEATEN  
BY SOUTH CHINA

In their first real test before the commencement of the football League, ROYAL ENGINEERS, newly promoted to the Senior Division, did very well in only losing to the champions, SOUTH CHINA, by the odd goal in five in a friendly game at Caroline Hill yesterday.

The fact that the titlists had their full strength out, with the exception of Lau Chung-sang, gave the Sappers' performance more merit and augurs well for them.

Once again, Engineers' defence left plenty of room for improvement. Moxham, in goal, particularly caught the eye with a spectacular save of Lee Wai-tong's low drive.

## FOX AT CENTRE

In attack, Pelham appeared to be happier at left-inside, Fox playing at centre.

Chu Wing-keung and Ho Lok-ki, both juniors, played good games.

LEE WAI-TONG netted twice in the first half with GOUGH, Engineers' new left-winger, replying. After resumption, LEE TAK-KEE increased the lead with a beautiful shot from about 30 yards out. Five minutes later BIRRELL reduced the arrears.

ENGINEERS' Moxham, Moore, Fielding, Chan Ying-kuen, Shaw, Taylor, Li Wai-lam, Birrell, Fox, Pelham and Gough.

SOUTH CHINA: Tam Kwai-kun, Tsang Chung-wan, Tse Kam-hung, Lau Hing-choi, Lam Tak-po, Ho Lok-ki, Lee Tak-kee, Chu Wing-keung, Lee Wai-tong, Chow Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau.

## EASTERN WIN

Eastern Juniors who are making a reappearance in second Division this season defeated R. A. S. C. in a friendly game at Sookunpoo by four goals to three.

AREA AQUATIC  
CHAMPIONSHIPCOMBINED SMALL  
UNITS WIN

The COMBINED SMALL UNITS (28 points) won the Inter-Unit Swimming Championship, with the Royal Scots second, with 60 points, and the R.A. third with 58.

His Excellency Major-General C. M. Malby, M.C., presented the trophies.

The results were:  
Free-style Relay: R.A. (349.2 2 5), Royal Scots, Combined Small Units; Free-style Relay: C.S.U. (445), Middlesex, R.S., Plunging, Middlesex (108' 8 1/2"), R.E., R.A.; Free-style Relay: R.A. (115.1), C.S.U., Middlesex; Free-style Variety Relay: C.S.U. (549 2 5), R.S., R.A.; Diving: R.S., C.S.U., Middlesex, Medley Relay: R.S. (234), C.S.U., Middlesex; Officers' Race: Major Templar, Lieut. Millar, Lieut. Dawson; Large Units Water Polo competition: Combined Small Units.

PAIRS HOLDERS  
DEFEATED

The holders of the Colony lawn bowls Open Pairs championships, H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro (Rex) were defeated in the quarter-final at Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday by the Craigengower pair, S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar by 21 shots to 12.

75 yards Medley Handicap; Men's 150 yards Individual Medley.

## TOMORROW

MEETING. — Annual of the Hongkong Badminton Association, in the Board Room of South China Morning Post Building, 6.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27  
FOOTBALL. — First Division: Police v. St. Joseph's (Boundary Street), 5.45 p.m.; Kowloon v. Club (Kowloon), 5.45 p.m.; Middlesex v. Eastern (Sookunpoo), 5.45 p.m.; Sing Tao v. Engineers (Club), 5.45 p.m. Second Division: Police v. Service Corps (Boundary Street), 4.15 p.m.; Kowloon v. Club (Kowloon), 4.15 p.m.; Middlesex v. Eastern (Sookunpoo), 4.15 p.m.; Sing Tao v. Engineers (Club), 4.15 p.m.; 7th R.A. v. Ordnance (St. Joseph's), 4.15 p.m.; Kit Chee v. 12th R.A. (Caroline Hill), 5.45 p.m. Third Division: University v. 20th R.A. (St. Joseph's), 5.45 p.m.; 95th R.A. v. 12th R.A. (St. Joseph's), 4.15 p.m.; 24th R.A. v. Medicals (Military), 5.45 p.m.; 7th R.A. v. Signals (Military), 4.15 p.m.; Pung Ngai v. Shell (Caroline Hill), 4.15 p.m.

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EXAMINATION  
An examination for the Army and R. A. F. candidates will be



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## OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

MRS. AMBASSADOR AND  
MRS. ENGLAND

Attractive Mrs. John G. Winant, left, wife of U.S. ambassador to Britain, swaps smiles with Mrs. Winston Churchill at opening of New England Services Club, sponsored by W.F.C.A. in London for women on war duty.

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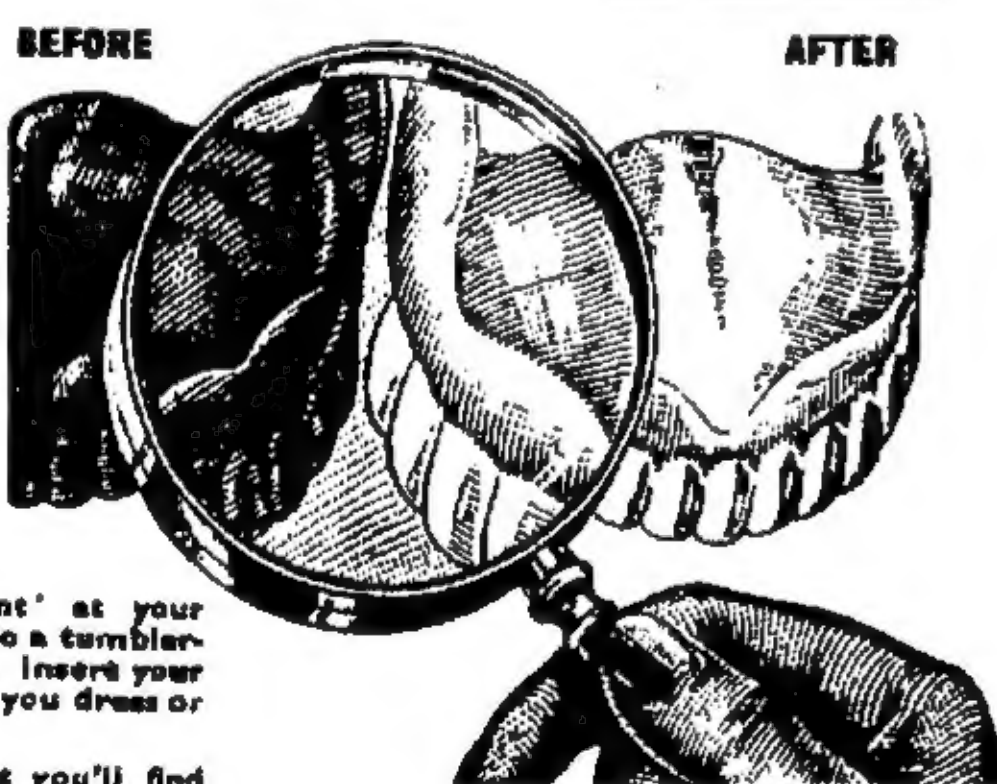
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Two Weddings  
At Registry

The following marriages took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday with J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, officiating:

Mr. Lee Hon sang, merchant, of No. 47 Nga Tsai Wai Road, and Miss Lau Lau young, of the same address.

Mr. Chung Im kwan, clerk, of No. 149 Thomson Road, and Miss Wong Yuk ying, of No. 107 Queen's Road East.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following forthcoming marriages were announced:

Mr. Liang Cheung, stevedore, of No. 44 Connaught Road Central, second floor, and Miss Fung Wai chun, of No. 65 Peel Street, ground floor.

Mr. Leung Chi ham, clerk, of No. 32 Gin Chan Street, and Miss Cheung Mook ing, of No. 179 Hollywood Road.

Mr. Chiu Yu kui, tailor, of No. 30 Main Street, and Miss Ching Yeh che, of No. 32 Main Street.

Mr. Wong Kwong, No. 1 fireman, residing at No. 56 Po Hing Fong, and Miss Lo Lai ping, of the same address.

Mr. Lau Wang yin, engineer workman, of No. 232 Chatham Road, and Miss Mak Shit ying, of No. 7 Tsing Fung Street, ground floor.

TODAY'S VARIETY  
CONCERT

The next of the series of Variety Entertainments which is being arranged by Mr. David Kossick on behalf of the Services Section of the Y. M. C. A. will take place at The Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute, Gloucester Road, today at 8.30 p.m.

A hearty welcome is extended to Merchant Seamen and all members of H. M. Forces to whom admission will be free.

Artists taking part in the entertainment include:— Freddy Archer, Monty Dutton, Billy Dextford, John Funnell, Les Gibson, Miltz Glover, "Mysto" of memory fame, Arthur Nobbins, Ron Renzie, Tom Sawyers, "Scotch" the mad artist, The Serenader, Clara Suter, Evelyn Suter, and Anne Tanner.

BELILIOS  
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SCHOOLUSEFUL PIECE OF  
PUBLIC SERVICE

During the heat of the summer 32 Senior Belilios Public School girls conducted a free school for the poor girls of the neighbourhood. For six weeks these girls taught nearly 200 children five days a week from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, the whole thing going without a hitch.

While it is true that the mistresses supplied most of the money the entire organisation was done by the girls. Subjects taught were: Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Citizenship, Hygiene, General Knowledge, Drawing, Singing and Drill.

Final entertainment was provided by the free scholars on Aug. 28 followed by the Prize-Giving, and then the distribution to each pupil of a new toothbrush, an apple and a few sweets.

One orphan girl was admitted to Belilios Public School for a year's free tuition. The girls provided the money for fees and provided her with uniform while the Belilios Old Girls' Association provided books and stationery.

## NEWSETTES

Mr. George Yeh, representative of the Central Publicity Board in Chungking, arrived in Singapore on Tuesday and will open an office here shortly. Mr. Yeh was formerly professor of English at the National Tsinghua University.

Mr. Yu Yu-jen, President of the Control Yuan, arrived in Lanchow on Tuesday on a tour of inspection of the North-west. In a speech at the Weekly Memorial Service meeting of the Kansu Provincial Government, Mr. Yu reported on the general situation in the country and expressed hopes for greater and more rapid development of the North-West Provinces.

As a result of the Japanese occupation of Toisan, remittances between Hongkong and that city have been suspended since Tuesday afternoon.

An exhibition of photographs depicting conditions in wartime

China taken by Mr. Johnson C. Wang will be held in the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Waterloo Road, Kowloon, commencing today, for three consecutive days. Altogether 311 photographs divided into 34 groups including a series of interesting war pictures will be on display.

WING-CDR. STEELE-PERKINS TO  
TESTIFY ON TUESDAY

At the conclusion of yesterday's sitting of the Commission, appointed by Government to inquire into certain matters relating to the AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS DEPARTMENT, the Chairman requested Mr. D. H. Blake, who appeared for the Kin Lee firm of building contractors, to inform Mr. G. G. N. Tinson that the Commission intend to take the evidence of WING-COMMANDER A. H. S. STEELE-PERKINS, who is represented by Mr. Tinson at the Inquiry, at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 30.

During his examination of the witnesses called, the Chairman revealed that when the Commission visited the "office" at Hunghom on Saturday there was no one in the room and that, if they had so desired, they could have taken away any of the books in the office without anyone knowing anything about it.

A statement made to the Commission that none of the Government foremen ever visited the sites but spent their time in the "office" gambling was denied by the foremen when they appeared before the Commission, as was the suggestion that the foreman in charge of dynamite demanded the return of some dynamite issued for sale to "fishermen and others not connected with the tunnelling work in Kowloon."

The Commission comprises Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall (Chairman), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy and Mr. S. Hampden-Ross with Mr. K. M. A. Barnett as Secretary.

The fifteenth public session will commence at 10.30 a.m. today. When the Commission resumed its sitting in the afternoon, Lo Hok-pul, who was asked in the morning to produce certain books, was the first to be recalled.

Chairman.—You were asked this morning to produce certain books?—Yes. (Books produced).

What are they?—Six small books and two large ones.

In which of these books are entered the names of the workmen?—The names are not entered, only the number of workmen.

Where are the big books?—Here (produced).

Chairman (looking over one of the books produced)—I see here, in what you call the day and night shifts, that the entries are only for August?—Yes.

There is one book for each site?—Yes.

But two of these books are for site No. 3?—Yes.

Why is that?—One of them contains the record of tunnel driving and the other for watchmen.

You haven't produced any books prior to August?—They are in the office.

## WANT ALL SMALL BOOKS

I told you to produce them. Get this clear: what we want is all your small books in connexion with the number of workmen employed on the tunnels.—I'll get them tomorrow.

I see by these books only a very small amount of workmen were employed on the sites—7, 7, 10 and 7?—The foreman said that those were enough for the work.

That is for site No. 4. On no date in the month of August were there more than 10 workmen employed?—That was the number of men the foreman said was sufficient, and besides the tunnelling work was nearly completed.

Who employed these workmen?—Kin Lee employed the workmen.

Besides these workmen there were others employed by the sub-contractors for other work?—Yes.

Why did you not check them off the same as you checked off the workmen of Kin Lee?—Because those workmen were under the supervision of another man who was in charge of tunnel improve-

ment work. I am only in charge of tunnel driving work.

Did you check up on workmen employed by the sub-contractors? Yes, on some of the sites.

Which site?—Site No. 2.

## TOO MUCH TO DO

Where is the book?—Because I had too much to do I did not enter in a small book. I entered the number in a big book.

Why did you not enter in a small book the same as you did with those workmen employed by Kin Lee?—It was more convenient to enter in a big book.

The big books are kept in the office?—Yes, and so are the small ones. I bring the books when I visit the sites.

Then where is the need for the double entry, first in a small book then into the big one?—I take the book to the site.

Both books?—No, I would take the book for that site with me. So you have no small book for site No. 2?—No.

Why not?—Because I was afraid that a small book would not be enough when entering more work. Is there more work in site No. 2?—A little more.

Where's site No. 2?—In Koon Chung.

Near the office?—Not very. How far?—About 20 minutes walk.

It is actually below Whitfield Barracks?—Yes.

## LARGEST SITE

And it is actually one of the largest sites in Kowloon, is it not?—Yes. And employ more workmen?—Not necessarily.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 29th day of September, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shek Shan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Schedule	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	1231	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
2	1232	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
3	1233	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
4	1234	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
5	1235	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
6	1236	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
7	1237	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
8	1238	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
9	1239	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
10	1240	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$2,835.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 29th day of September, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Wong Nei Chung Gap Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Schedule	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	6841	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
2	6842	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
3	6843	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
4	6844	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
5	6845	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
6	6846	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
7	6847	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
8	6848	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
9	6849	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre
10	6850	Wong Nei Chung Gap Road	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/2 Acre

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We hereby give notice that our Hong Kong Office will be closed on the 30th September, 1941 and will remain closed until further notice.

We shall continue business at Sassoon House, P. O. Box 457, Shanghai, and at Wilson Building, P. O. Box 1457, Manila, P.I., to either of which offices correspondence may be addressed. In case of urgency reference may be made on our behalf to Hastings & Co., Marina House, Hong Kong.

Dated this 22nd day of September, 1941.

SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ,  
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Manager.  
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building.

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Dated this 22nd day of September, 1941.

S. E. LEVY & CO.,  
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Partner.  
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of Jessie Hutchison Steele or McGregor sometime of 11 Alloway Place, Ayr and who latterly resided at Brokencliffe, Livermead, Torquay in the County of Devon. Widow of Doctor John McGregor, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 13th day of October, 1941.

ALL creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 17th day of September, 1941.

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CAPTIVE ITALY

NO SURPRISE will be expressed anywhere in the world at the disclosures made public yesterday of rising unrest and discontent in Italy. The quarrel between the Fascists and the army seems to have materialised to a greater extent than appears on the surface and the number of malcontents increased as a result of the flagrant misrule which has resulted in Italy becoming a captive state of Nazi Germany. The Italian leaders and Signor Mussolini in particular—cannot say that they were not warned of what was coming to them when they deliberately chose the side of the aggressors and started marching on the difficult and dangerous road of conquest by force. They are still marching along that road, but in the manner of a victim being led to the slaughter. Realisation has now dawned on the people that they have been misled, deceived and misinformed by their so-called leaders who have pinned themselves on to Herr Hitler's war chariot.

AS FAR as the Democracies are concerned, these signs of unrest and discontent from captive Italy are encouraging. It shows that the Italian people are beginning to regret—or rather resent—the fact that the warnings which were generously offered their Government were treated so discourteously and that the leaders of the Fascist regime failed to see the writing on the wall. Today, as a result of this wilful policy of aggression which Signor Mussolini chose to follow, the country as a whole stands disgraced in the eyes of the world. Their armies in Africa have been routed, their Navy

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MTC. TODAY

The Legislative Council will hold a meeting this afternoon at 2.30 p.m. at the Council Chamber when the Attorney General will move a resolution that the Director, Criminal Investigation (Special Branch) be styled Director, Special Branch; that the Assistant Director, Criminal Investigation (Special Branch) be styled Assistant Director, Special Branch; and the Assistant Director, Criminal Investigation (Crime) be styled Director, Criminal Investigation. The Attorney General will also move that the amendment made by the Urban Council under section 3 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, on the 26th day of Aug. 1941, to the by-laws under the heading "Dangerous and Offensive Trades" contained in Schedule A to that Ordinance be approved.

The Attorney General will also move the Second and Third readings of—  
"A Bill to amend the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935," "A Bill to amend the Midwives Ordinance, 1910," "A Bill to amend further the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens Ordinance, 1940," "A Bill to enable the Governor to confer by Proclamation on certain police forces in the Colony the status of militia in time of war," "A Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931, as amended by the Betting Duty Amendment Ordinance, 1940"

practically destroyed and their army at home, together with their administration, has become a puppet body which dances to the tunes played by Berlin. Economically her position has grown from bad to worse and the prospects of the country receiving any assistance from Germany are more remote than ever.

THE DEMOCRACIES have been closely watching these developments. There is no doubt that they sympathise with the Italian people. They would be willing even to place the whole blame on their leaders and excuse their deluded citizens. But they have all along felt that any action to deliver the Italians out of Nazi control must come from the people themselves. The first seeds of that action have now begun to sprout—or at least it is hoped that this is a correct view of what has now been disclosed. Having made their leaders and their Axis membership, it is now up to the people to make the first move to secure their deliverance from the contemptible state into which they have been led. If they do this, there is no doubt that they can, and will, have the sympathy of the Democracies. It is natural that help should be given to those who are trying to help themselves. This has been the Democratic axiom in this war.

THERE is no doubt that the Italian people will have a very hard time in making the initial move towards their deliverance. It is the Fascist boast that Signor Mussolini and his leaders have been able to cow their people into submission and obedience before. They will try to do this again and this time they will have the assistance of the dreaded German Gestapo to add their ruthlessness to the methods which circumstances might compel them to use. There is evidence that the Nazis have already taken steps to increase the rigidity of their control in Italy. It is this Nazi grip on the country that has to be broken. The clean-up of Italy must be part of the Democratic war aims, but it is one that must start from within the country. It is their only hope of sympathetic consideration from the Democracies after the war is won. It is their only hope in the future.

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And what's the other book you have there? Workmen employed on the ventilation work.  
What have you entered in the book?—The number of workmen and their shifts.  
What ventilation work?—Putting in ventilation shafts.  
Am I not correct in saying that of all the sites in Kowloon there is only one where these shafts are used?—No, Sir.  
How many shafts have been built in the tunnels?—One for site No. 1.  
Yes?—Site No. 2, one completed and one not completed.  
Only two completed?—No, site No. 3 one completed.  
Completed?—Yes, site No. 4 one completed and site No. 5 one completed.

NOT COMPLETED

Well, we asked Mr. Bishop to show us some ventilation shafts and the only one he showed us was not completed. That was for tunnel No. 10. Do you know that one?—Yes, that is not completed.  
Is there any on site No. 2 completed?—One completed and one in the course of installation.

So that book is for workmen employed in connexion with ventilation shafts?—Yes.

Are they employed by Kin Lee?—On the left hand side of the page is entry of workmen employed by sub-contractors, and on the right hand side workmen employed by Kin Lee.

Why don't you do the same in your small books, enter the workmen employed by sub-contractors?—Because there were no sub-contractors' workmen on those sites as the work had been all completed.

I am asking you why you did not enter the number of workmen employed by sub-contractors as well as by Kin Lee?—Because by that time the work by the sub-contractors had been completed.

Before the work was completed by the sub-contractors, did you enter the workmen employed by the sub-contractors?—I must go back and look for the books.  
Are the books still existent?—Yes.

GOVERNMENT BOOKS

You started work in Sept. 1940?—Middle of Sept., 1940.

Well, we want all the books from the middle of Sept., 1940, by 10.30 a.m. tomorrow—May I ask a question, Sir?

Yes?—Sometimes I work in the day time and sometime in the night time, according to the shift I do. Do that mean that I have to bring all the books?

I have spoken in very plain English and the interpreter has spoken in very plain Chinese. We want all the books in which you have entered the number of workmen employed.—Yes, Sir.

Because you told us that you have entered the number of workmen on the site after checking them.—Yes.

This morning you told us that after entering in the small book you enter it in the large book in the office?—These are the large books.

So your statement this morning was incorrect?—No.

OBJECT OF QUESTIONS

The object of these questions is that we are suggesting to you that you had never once checked up on the number of workmen employed by the sub-contractors and that, for a consideration, you were prepared to accept the figures supplied you; and that you only checked on the small number of labourers employed by Kin Lee. Up to the end of August, Government paid \$38,516 for daily labour and \$153,684 for labour for tunnelling and timbering. Before we have finished with you and your co-foremen you have to satisfy us that you have checked on the daily number of workmen employed by the sub-contractors.

Witness' application for the return of the books on the ground that they were in use was refused by the Chairman who advised him to inform the European on the job that the books were being kept by the Commission and to get new ones.

Li Lin-shing, another witness who gave evidence in the morning, was asked whether he had produced the books asked for by the Commission. Li, producing a book, said that he was only asked to bring the attendance book.

Did you check up on the workmen?—Yes.

Do you use books like that?—Yes, Sir.

Do you enter the numbers in books like that?—Some of the entries in these books were made by me during my shift.

So whoever was on duty enter the books?—Insofar as other sites

CONTINUED RUSSIAN HOLD ON CRIMEA IMPORTANT TO THEIR RESISTANCE

It is of utmost importance to the Russians to continue to hold the Crimea Peninsula, not only for giving them freedom of movement over the Black Sea, but also to prevent the development of those flanking movements which the Germans prefer to making counter-attacks," said MAJOR LEWIS HASTINGS, B.B.C. military observer, when he broadcast from London yesterday, on the present position on the East European front.

Major Hastings opened his comments by stating that the capture of Kiev recalled to mind an incident on 1915. At that time, the Russian army had been threatened by a big converging army on the Vistula. The main forces were freed from the German claws, but for reasons of prestige the commander failed to extricate his garrison there and the result was that nearly the entire garrison of 100,000 men fell into German hands.

A HEAVY BLOW

It is conceivable that Marshal Budyennyi clung to Kiev too long," said Major Hastings. "and it is likely that he under-estimated the speed with which the German claws were closing in. But it is now known that the Russian troops organised a systematic destruction of everything useful to the enemy.

Nevertheless, it is admitted that the Russians have suffered one of the heaviest blows of the campaign. One can see this without admitting the preposterous claims of the German news agencies.

Dr Goebbels' propaganda has always over-estimated probable results of their success and this exaggeration increases in extravagance. There is no doubt that the public in Germany can only get a sensation of well-being through ever increasing doses of stimulants like these.

"The position in the South Ukraine has now greatly changed," continued Major Hastings. "The whole line of the Dnieper may now be looked upon as lost. Resistance must now merge in the Crimea, the Don River and the Caucasus.

NEXT STAND

Kharkov is the most important town of south industrial Russia and somewhere on the line covering Kharkov, at the mouth of the Don, the Russians can be expected to make their next stand.

"I have no doubt that a defence system has been created here and that reinforcements have already reached Kharkov. The Russians have shown great skill in putting up defensive positions and this

are concerned, yes. For site No. 2 there is a different book.

Have you got that book?—Yes, in the office.

When did you start work?—On October 6, 1940.

Well, bring up all your books for site No. 2 from Oct. 6, at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow.—Yes, Sir.

NUMBERS CHECKED

Asked whether he brought the books to the site and enter them there, witness replied in the affirmative adding that he checked the numbers with Kin Lee's foreman.

Witness further stated that he also enter the workmen employed by the sub-contractors and enter the number in small books which are kept in the office. Further questioned, witness stated that he only had large books for sub-contractors and that the sites where were only used for sites where work had been completed. Pressed on this point, Li said that the small books were only used for entering the number of watchmen employed on a site and not the number of workmen.

Chairman.—Oh, so you are getting to check on the number of watchmen too, are you?—Yes. (Laughter).

Has work on site No. 5 been completed?—Yes, the tunnelling work is completed.

There is other work to be done?—Yes, tunnel improvement work.

Witness was then asked why it was necessary to employ 11 watchmen, five in the day and six at night, on the site when there are only eight entrances to the site. He stated that for outside entrances one watchman was necessary, but for those in the centre a watchman could look after two entrances.

Li admitted that neither he nor the other two foremen check up on the number of workmen employed by the sub-contractors as

COLONY THANKED

The following is the copy of a telegram received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies by His Excellency the Governor:—  
18th September, 1941.  
From Minister of Aircraft Production.

Gratefully acknowledge latest generous gift for bombers. Continued support affords us great encouragement and brings nearer day when Hongkong Squadron will bring new strength to our bombing forces.

Lo Tang, another foreman employed by Government, was in charge of the tunnel improvement work.

\$112,190 PAID

Chairman.—So Lo Tang is in charge of workmen for which Government paid \$112,190?—Not only him. There is a European there by the name of Mr. Bayley. Cheng Fung-tung said, in reply to the Chairman, that he was employed in the Water Works Office in connexion with the Kowloon tunnelling work.

Asked whether he was in his office in Hunghom on Saturday, witness replied in the affirmative.

When asked by the Chairman why the Commission did not see him when they visited the place that day, witness stated that he had just left for his office. He went on to say that he did not lock the door as a watchman was left in charge of the office during the afternoon.

Witness was then questioned as to what steps he would take when checking up on vouchers presented to him. When given the supposition case of a voucher for transportation of muck, witness said that he would check the bill with

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TO-DAY ONLY At 2.30, 5.30, 7.45 & 9.45 P.M.

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## RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN RUSSIA: MISCONCEPTIONS CLEARED UP BY ENVOY

LONDON, Sept. 24 (BWS) — The Soviet Ambassador to Britain, in a speech at the American Chamber of Commerce gathering in London, disposed of the misconceptions regarding the freedom of worship in Russia.

"In spite of what is thought by so many," said M. Malysky, "the religion in my country is not persecuted and every citizen has the right to believe or not to believe according to conscience."

## LENINGRAD DEFENCES

### GRUDGING TRIBUTE BY THE NAZIS

ZURICH, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — The superiority of the Leningrad defence system, compared with the Maginot Line both as regards the number of fortifications and their adaptation to the swampy terrain, was admitted in the German MILITÄRISCHES KORRESPONDENZ and DEUTSCHLAND which says:

"The French fought with traditional bravery but without the deep political conviction which makes the Russians more stubborn and which is causing heavy losses."

It says the Russian defences have proved "extraordinarily severe obstacles" consisting of huge tank traps and rows of 10 or 12 miles deep — of pine trunks rammed several yards into the earth as well as pine trees cut down to a yard above the ground, concrete pyramids and barbed wire.

### RING OF FORTS

The garrisons were able to occupy the great ring of forts immediately squads of civil workers had finished their construction. It adds the forts were fully protected against all but the heaviest bombs and shells.

Tribute was also paid to the garrisons formed by Leningrad factory workers which "have proved excellent" despite their very short training.

Air attacks were of little use in these sectors, the statement concludes.

## PRISONERS OF WAR IN GERMANY

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — Stalag 18 "A" (German prison camp) which contains 3,300 British prisoners of war including Dominion troops captured in Greece and Crete is stated by the War Office to be a generally satisfactory camp.

The health of the prisoners is said to be generally satisfactory. Red Cross parcels are arriving well.

Stalag 18 "D" contains 3,500 British prisoners of war from Greece and Crete. The camp is still far from completion, but the authorities are working hard at it. Morale of the prisoners is high and health generally good. Red Cross parcels are also reaching this camp in satisfactory quantities.

## VON PAPEN BACK IN TURKEY

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — The German Ambassador to Turkey, Herr Von Papen, arrived back in Turkey by air from a visit to Germany, according to an Istanbul telegram to Berlin. He proceeded to the summer residence of the German Embassy at Therapia, the telegram adds.



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## WAR EFFORT OF INDIA

### MR L. S. AMERY FULL OF PRAISE

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — A tribute to India's contribution to the war effort was paid by Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary for India, in the course of a speech at Aberdeen yesterday.

After referring to the great part played by the Indian forces in Eritrea, Abyssinia and Iraq and in clearing Syria to open a way through Persia to help Russia, Mr. Amery said "Our duty to Russia was obvious. No less obvious were some of the physical difficulties of time and space which stood in the way."

"One of the immediate tasks before us was to improve communications through Persia as to enable a really effective flow of munitions to reach the harassed Russian Army and no less urgent and obvious to our people at home was to see that these munitions came forward as rapidly as these communications could be improved."

### RESOURCES POOLED

"This was the task which fell largely upon this country, but not alone. There too, India was playing a great part. She combined with other Dominions at the Delhi Conference to work out a scheme of co-operation whereby all these countries pooled their resources in order to bring about the largest and the most rapid munitions production possible. That work was now proceeding and was destined, in ever-increasing measure, to play its part towards the final victory."

## British Tank Production

### Workers Out To Break All Output Records

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — This is a "Thanks for Russia" week and preliminary reports suggest that the output will represent the greatest production drive Britain has ever seen. Hourly reports reaching the Ministry of Supply confirm this.

Over 2,000 workers in one Midland factory should have had holidays in lieu of holidays foregone at Whitmas. They have again voluntarily deferred their holiday.

From another factory, already working a six-and-a-half-day week, with much overtime, preliminary reports indicate the production is likely to be stepped up. Similar reports are coming in from other plants.

A representative of the workers in the Midland tank factories sent a telegram to Lord Beaverbrook in Moscow pledging themselves to break all records from now on in aid of the tanks for Russia week.

### "COMMON BATTLE"

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — "From the moment Russia came into war we have been doing our best to send help in every possible way," declared a member of the War Cabinet, Mr. Clement R. Attlee, speaking yesterday at a luncheon organised by ex-officers of the Royal Tank Regiment.

"We are fighting a common battle and obviously, it is common sense and right that we should do our utmost to support our Allies in every way."

He added: "We shall beat the Germans with our tanks not only because of the skill and courage of our men but because of the skill, inventiveness and devotion of our engineers."

## CHRISTMAS MAIL FOR TROOPS

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — One hundred soldiers have been loaned to the Army Post Office to cope with the enormous last minute rush of Christmas greetings to the forces in the Middle East, India and Malaya.

A large number of army lorries have been requisitioned to ensure that the gigantic mail reaches the ships in time. The latest figures of Christmas postings are more than 2,000,000 letters and cards and 250,000 parcels, many bearing the label "Not to be opened until Christmas Day."

Sixty per cent. contain pudding and cakes and at the Army Post Office, the whole consignment is known as "pudding mail."

## CHINESE DELEGATES TO I.L.C. IN THE COLONY

Dr. Kim-wei Shaw, former general manager of the China National Tea Corporation, and Mr. H. F. Chu, Chinese labour leader, arrived in Hongkong from Chungking on Tuesday and will leave for the United States on September 28 by Clipper to attend the 26th International Labour Conference to be held at New York from October 27 to November 5.

Dr. Shaw and Mr. Chu are China's delegates for the employers and the workers respectively. They will be accompanied by Dr. Robert Huang and Mr. Liu Hanan-tai, their respective advisers.

In an interview, Dr. Shaw revealed that the main topics for discussion in the forthcoming Conference will be the collaboration between the government and employers' and workers' organisations and the social policy after the present war.

The Chinese delegates, he said, will report on the conditions of the factories and labour welfare in Free China. They will also endeavour to solicit from foreign industrial and commercial circles greater sympathy and further effective aid to China in her present resistance to aggression.

Chinese industrial and commercial circles, Dr. Shaw declared, earnestly hope that their contemporaries in foreign countries, especially those in the United States, will extend technical and financial assistance to China in her economic reconstruction in the rear China, he said, is urgently in need of such help, particularly on the technical side. Both for present economic development of the rear and for post-war reconstruction it is hoped that foreign capital and technical personnel will be forthcoming.

According to Dr. Shaw, there will be no delegates to the Conference from Germany, Italy and Japan. However, countries in Europe now under Nazi domination will be represented.

As Secretary-General of the Chinese-American Institutes of Cultural Relations, Dr. Shaw will, after the International Labour Conference, make plans for the establishment of a sister organisation in the United States to be known as the American-Chinese Committee of Cultural Relations. He will discuss the matter with Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese Ambassador to the United States, and American educational and cultural leaders.

### CHAIN STORES

Dr. Shaw will also make an investigation into overseas Chinese commercial activities in the United States and find out the possibility of organising chain stores for the marketing of Chinese special products in order to promote Sino-American trade.

As an ardent cultural worker, Dr. Shaw hopes to make a study also of the development of American journalism and motion picture industry while in the United States.

His visit in the United States will last about four months. He will return to China probably by Clipper by way of the South Seas (Central).

## FREE FRENCH NATIONAL COM. FORMED BY GEN. DE GAULLE

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — General Charles de Gaulle, head of the Free French forces, has announced the formation of a Free French National Committee to act as trustees for France until a constitutionally representative government is established.

Announcing the formation of the new Free French National Committee, General de Gaulle said that it would be a matter for the United States and other nations to decide whether the new committee is recognised instead of the Vichy Government.

"We had shown the necessity of decentralisation and the Defence Council in its modest way had met the same need recognised by the British Government when they sent Mr. Duff Cooper to Singapore."

"CONSTITUTION VIOLATED" — "I would like to make clear our position regarding the constitution and laws of the French Republic. That Constitution and those laws have been violated first by the invader and then every day by the accomplices of the invader at Vichy. The Free French recognise none of those violations."

The Free French would be obliged to exercise de facto authority tantamount to a delegation of national interest which will be handed back to national representation when possible.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF G.E.C.

### SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The following extracts and comments on the Annual Report of the General Electric Co. Ltd. of England was received from the local office of the General Electric Co. of China Ltd., yesterday.

In his Annual Report for 1940/41 to the Shareholders, Lord Hirst of Wiltton, The Chairman of The General Electric Co. Ltd. of England, pointed out that the absorption of the Company in the requirements of the Home market had by no means diminished the attention always paid to export.

He added that it would be idle to pretend that the difficulties and restrictions in the path of export business had not increased but that in spite of these, by the united efforts of all concerned both in England and Overseas the Company had managed to maintain its export trade at practically the same figure as in the previous year.

Commenting upon this statement the ELECTRICAL TIMES remarks:

"We should like to see this bald fact treated by a Kipling. These exports had to be made from rationed materials under risk of death and destruction from the air and when they managed to find themselves on board ship they had to run the gauntlet of sea-raider, U-boat, bomber, and mine, as well as the normal perils of the deep. What human courage, fortitude and endurance went to the delivery of these goods!"

### SUCCESSFUL YEAR

In spite of the imposition of the Excess Profits Tax the Company has had a very successful year. Its numerous factories having been largely employed upon work of first grade importance to the war effort.

The report also reveals that of the 50,000 persons employed by the G.E.C. in England 3,400 are serving with the Forces of whom 38 have been killed, 16 are reported missing, 10 wounded and 29 prisoners of war. Two have gained the Distinguished Flying Cross, one the Distinguished Flying Medal, one the Military Cross, two the Military Medal and one the George Medal, so that both the Company and its employees are making a considerable contribution to the Empire's war effort.

## U.S. ASSISTANCE TO RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — The American administrator of the Lease-Lend programme, Mr. Stettinius, has urged the House of Representatives Sub-Committee for Appropriations, which is considering the latest Lease-Lend Appropriation Bill, to reject any prohibitions which would bar aid to Russia, according to information from informed House members.

Mr. Stettinius explained that it is not the American Government's policy now to extend aid to Russia through the Lease-Lend programme but he emphasised that in view of the uncertainty of the future, any restrictive provisions would be especially undesirable.

## Reduced Press Rate Welcomed By M.O.I.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters) — The introduction on Oct. 10 of the reduced Empire Press rate of 1d. per word has been described as a "great event" by Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information.

In a message to Sir Edward Whilshaw, Chairman of Cable and Wireless read at the Glasgow luncheon, Mr. Bracken stated: "When the rate comes into operation the flow of news and comment between Great Britain and every corner of the British Commonwealth will be stimulated and increased. Every Empire country will be free from the restrictions which the old cable costs imposed."



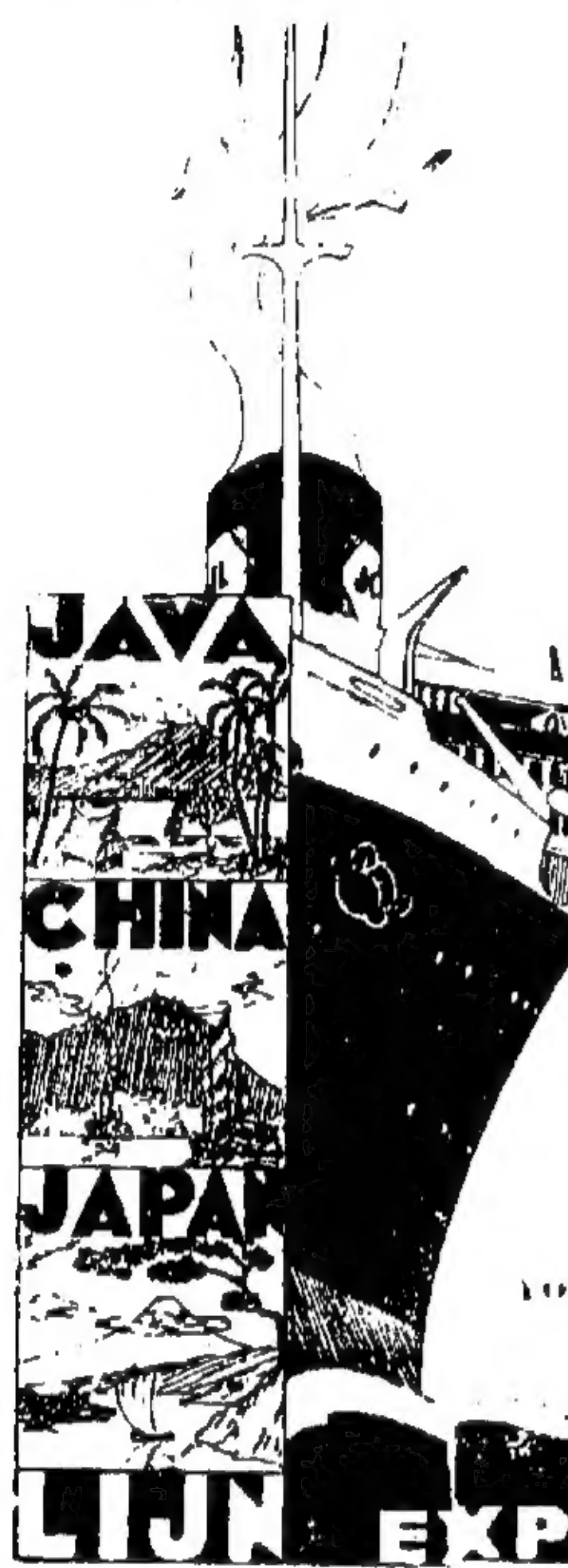


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### SCHOOL GIRL KILLED

A 10-year-old Chinese girl, on her way to school, was run over by bus 622 when she darted across the road at Caine Road, near Old Bailey, yesterday morning, the left rear wheel passing over her head.

### SHIP REFLOATED

The British vessel which was blown on the rocks at Green Island during the typhoon was refloated yesterday and steamed into harbour under her own power to berth at Talkoo Docks, where she was undergoing repairs, prior to the typhoon last week.

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

### AT CENTRAL

#### CONFISCATION ORDERS

That the Police are relentlessly continuing their drive against opium and heroin divans is indicated by the confiscation orders made by the Police Magistrates yesterday of smoking paraphernalia such as pipes, lamps, etc.

These cover raids made on 13 addresses in the Central, seven in the Shaukiwan and nine in the Wanchai districts.

#### ASSAULTED P. C.

Yuen Tung, 35, widow, was brought before Mr. H. G. Sheldon charged with assaulting an Indian Police Constable on Sept. 22 and obstructing the roadway with two baskets of vegetables.

It was stated that defendant was warned to go away by the complainant and when he returned about half an hour afterwards defendant was still there and was accordingly arrested. On the way to the station defendant struggled and badly scratched complainant's arm, necessitating treatment at the hospital.

Defendant pleaded not guilty.

After hearing her evidence his Worship imposed a fine of \$100 or six weeks on the assault charge and cautioned her on the obstruction charge.

Sgt. K. McLeod prosecuted.

#### EIGHTH CONVICTION

Lee Ching, 23, unemployed, appeared before Mr. G. T. Lowry charged with burglary.

It was stated that defendant entered No. 3 Lower Lascar Row at 4 p.m. on Sept. 23 and removed clothing to the value of \$20 belonging to the complainant, Leung Sul-tin, 31, married woman.

Defendant was given six months.

He had seven previous convictions.

Det. Sgt. Nolan prosecuted.

#### BAIL ESTREATED

Pun Man, 58, of No. 43 Water Street, an electrician, had his bail of \$75 estreated when he failed to appear before Mr. Sheldon to answer a charge for keeping a common gaming house for the purpose of the Tse Tam lottery.

Sgt. Pope prosecuted.

#### CAUTIONED

Tam Ping, 55, lifeman, appeared before Mr. Sheldon charged with simple larceny of four bottles of medicine pills from the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage godowns, and was let off with a caution.

Sgt. Pope prosecuted.

#### POSSESSION OF CAMERA

So Yung-kee, of No. 45 Cause Road, first floor, was fined \$5 by Mr. Sheldon for possession of a camera in Stanley Village Road which is against the Defence Regulations.

A. S. I. Simpson prosecuted.

#### OVERWORKED WOMEN

For allowing 52 women to work till 9.25 p.m. on Sept. 3, which is beyond regulation hours, the manager of the Ngai Shing Towel Weaving Co. of No. 384 Queen's Road West was fined \$100 by Mr. Sheldon.

#### POSSESSION OF REVOLVER

Ng Ngan-sing, 32, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour and recommended for banishment when he appeared before Mr. Macnamara charged with possession of a revolver.

Det.-Sgt. D. C. MacPherson said that on information received defendant was arrested during a Police raid on an opium divan on Sept. 13.

Defendant, a guest in Nathan Hotel, admitted possession of the revolver which he had hidden under a chair in his room.

Defendant asked for leniency stating he had a wife and several children.

#### COSTLY BUS RIDE

Max Ki, 26, unemployed, appeared before Major A. M. Macfadyen charged with evading to pay the bus fare on Sept. 23 at 7.05 p.m. while travelling from Prince Edward Road to Kowloon City.

Defendant, who was on \$25 bail, was fined \$25 or one month's hard labour.

#### UNMANIFESTED CARGO

Leung Tat-ming, 38, travelling trader, of 93 Connaught Road Central, appeared before Major Macfadyen charged with possession of unmanifested cargo on board a Dutch liner consisting of six bundles of cinema pamphlets and with conveying same into the Colony by a means other than the post.

Accused, who is on \$50 bail, was fined \$40 or two months' hard labour.

Sgt. F. Penfold prosecuted.

### AT KOWLOON

#### CHOPPER ATTACK SEQUEL

Lo Hing, 32, appeared before Mr. H. C. Macnamara charged with assaulting a 66-year-old man, Yu Foo and causing bodily harm.

Det. Sub-Ins. H. C. Goodwin said that on Aug. 30 at 1 p.m. complainant went to a tea-house in Shanghai Street and took a

## Indian Constables Gaoled: Bribery Case At Sessions

Three constables, GANGA SINGH, P.C. B194, GURNAM SINGH, P.C. B778, and LACHHMAN SINGH, P.C. B36, were arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with accepting a bribe (against the first accused) and the other two with being accessories, aiding and abetting the first accused.

Ganga Singh was additionally charged with demanding \$25 from Chung Chiu, with menaces, on July 30.

The first and second accused were found guilty and were sentenced to two years and three months' hard labour, and four months' hard labour, respectively, while third accused was acquitted.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, assisted by Det. Sub-Ins. R. Cunningham, prosecuted, and Mr. George She, instructed by Mr. C. A. Sutherland, represented first accused.

The following comprised the jury: Messrs W. R. Wong (Foreman), Chu Ming-hung, Chan Hawkins, Pong Bing-cheung, G. E. Ahwee and Chung Sui-on.

#### OWNER SUMMONED

Dealing with the second count against first accused only, Mr. Murphy traced events up to June when first accused summoned Chung Chiu, owner of the Po On Garage of Shantung Street. The prosecutor related two instances when first accused stopped two drivers employed by Chung and accused said something to the effect that he (accused) had not been paid "tea money."

After an interview with Mr. W. P. Thompson, A.S.P., Chung was given certain marked notes and instructions. On July 30, first accused called on Chung and said that he wanted \$5 for each car. Chung replied that as he had five cars he could not pay so much and offered \$15. Accused said he

would consider the matter and left.

Next day first accused, accompanied by second and third, returned to the garage and said he wanted \$15. Chung gave the money to first accused who, in turn, handed it to second accused. The three Indians were arrested as they were leaving the garage.

When charged second accused stated he did not take any money. The \$15 was given him by first accused to take back to the station where he was to return it. The third accused stated that he met first and second opposite the Majestic Theatre and was invited to go with them. The other two went into the garage to hire a car. He did not go and knew nothing about the matter.

ACCUSED'S DENIAL.  
In evidence yesterday, first accused denied that he demanded money from Chung and also that he handed over \$15 to second accused. He did not go into the garage. Accused alleged that the witnesses had told lies about him.

Without retiring, the jury unanimously found first and second accused guilty of their respective charges. Third accused was found Not Guilty.

First accused had five years' service and his character was described as fair.

Second accused had 13 years' service in the Force.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS  
WEEKLY RETURNS

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, 1941, there were altogether 99 traffic accidents as the result of which one person was killed and 22 persons were injured.

The person killed, an unknown Chinese male died from injuries received by falling off a moving lorry.

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## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1941.

The following changes in postage rates will be effective as from 15th September 1941:

	Letters	Postcards each
Macao and China	—	\$0.04
New Zealand by air via Rangoon	\$1.85	\$0.90
Europe all countries	per 1 oz \$3.50	\$1.80
air mail surcharges	per 1 oz	—
by air to U.S.A. and onwards by sea	—	—

Parcel Post Service to Japan is temporarily suspended.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended—

Yunnan  
Szechuen  
Kweichow  
Hunan  
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangau)  
Kwangsi  
North and East of Kwangtung

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAILS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 20th September.	27th Sept.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 30th September.	7th Oct.

### OUTWARD AIR MAILS

For	Date and Time
FRIDAY	Fri. 26th Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM G.P.O.
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
SATURDAY	Sat. 27th Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
MONDAY	Mon. 29th Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM G.P.O.
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. 7th Oct. K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

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